## RESOLUTION NO. 137 WASABI SUSHI BAR

WHEREAS, the downtown St. Louis location of the Wasabi Sushi Bar opened in September of 2003 by partners Sung Bae Ahn, who has 12 years experience in the restaurant business and Jong Wook Lee who has 15 years experience as a sushi chef; and

WHEREAS, the annual Wasabi Festival event was established as a form of appreciation to its customers as well as to educate the entire St. Louis Community about Japanese food encouraging them to sample some of the great world renowned Wasabi appetizers; and

WHEREAS, the Wasabi Festival will introduce participants to the Japanese culture and provide them with live entertainment, attendance prizes, and fun for the entire family; and

WHEREAS, Wasabi Sushi Bar will host its  $2^{nd}$  Annual Sushi Eating Contest providing the winner with an all expense paid trip to Japan allowing the winner a firsthand experience of the Japanese culture; and

WHEREAS, Wasabi Sushi Bar has grown to become one of the finest restaurants in downtown and is rated the Number 1 Sushi Bar in St. Louis.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Aldermen for the City of St. Louis, meeting in regular session, that we pause in our deliberations to recognize Wasabi Sushi Bar as the Number 1 rated Sushi Bar in St. Louis, and we congratulate Sung Bae Ahn and Jong Wook Lee for their endeavor to educate the entire St. Louis Community about Japanese Food, and we further direct the Clerk of the Board of Aldermen to spread a copy of this Resolution across the minutes of this proceeding and to prepare a commemorative copy to the end that it may be presented to our honoree at a time and place deemed appropriate by the Sponsors.

Introduced on the 5<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2007 by: Honorable April Ford-Griffin, Alderwoman 5<sup>th</sup> Ward Adopted this 5<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2007 as attested by: